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Subject:

Re: DOGM Permitting of Degasification Well G-19 @ Dugout Canyon Mine

CC:

Daron Haddock; Pam Grubaugh-Littig; Steve Christensen

Hi Pete

You are correct in assuming that SITLA's approval letter of de-gas wells for the Dugout tract in still in effect. Since the Dugout coal tract contains both SITLA and federal coal ownership then both SITLA and BLM should approve changes in the R2P2 as to potential impacts upon their respective coal ownership. I have spoken with Steve Rigby of BLM and neither of us have any concerns over proposed ge-gas well #19. Please approve the well as soon as possible. Thank you.

John Blake SITLA

>>> Pete Hess 7/3/2007 9:13 AM >>> John / Steve

The Division is currently reviewing an application from Canyon Fuel Company to add degas well G-19 which will intercept the Gilson seam in Section 20, T13S, R13E at Dugout Canyon (Task ID # 2812). The entire section is under SITLA mineral management jurisdiction.

It appears the surface disturbance (Thayn land) will lie over the tailgate entries adjacent to the abutment between GIL-5 and GIL-6 panels.

Can the Division safely assume that the SITLA approval which was given relative to degas wells at least a year ago is still in place? Based on a E-mail which I have from 2005, the DOGM can not approve this application until the BLM has reviewed the R2P2 and approved this revision...I have been out of the permitting loop for a while and need to know if these are issues which need to be revisited.

Thank you.